

# Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota

### Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Merle L. Offerdahl began his career with the City of Vermillion twenty-five years ago; and,

WHEREAS, Merle L. Offerdahl joined the Vermillion Police Department on August 24, 1959; and,

WHEREAS, Merle L. Offerdahl became the Chief of Police of Vermillion on January 1, 1961, after serving less than one month as Acting Chief of Police; and,

WHEREAS, Merle's career with the Vermillion Police Department spans such infamous cases as The Recovery of the Wandering Saint Bernard, Fred; and,

WHEREAS, Merle has tirelessly served the people of Vermillion for twenty-five years, providing dedicated and caring protection; and,

WHEREAS, Merle L. Offerdahl will be honored at a retirement dinner at the Prairie on Monday, May 11, 1981:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 11, 1981, as

#### MERLE L. OFFERDAHL DAY

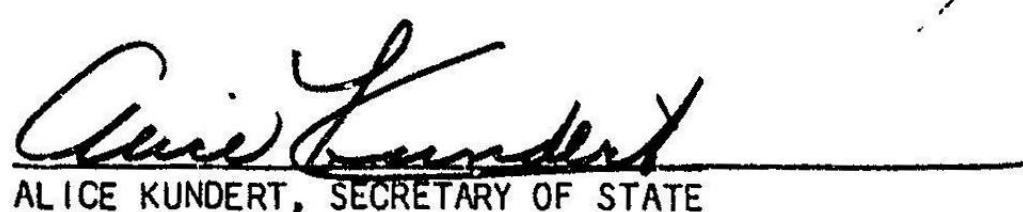
in South Dakota, and I join Merle's many friends and relatives in wishing him a day filled with joy and a lifetime of happiness in his richly-deserved retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-One



WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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